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Summer's High Temperatures Unsafe for Young Children, Vulnerable Adults and Animals

Read tips for staying safe and comfortable

http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21176

Reminder!

Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board Meeting (UCAB)

Monday, July 17 7:00pm

**Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

Topic: RIDE ON extRa Limited Stop Service

Topic: Issues Expected in the Upcoming Year

The Board will discuss issues, challenges and opportunities affecting the Upcounty region of Montgomery County (the Shady Grove area, north to the Frederick County line, west to the Potomac River). They will also start to prepare comments that will be shared with State legislators representing our region in Annapolis (Districts 14, 15, 17 and 39).

All board and committee meetings are open to the public!

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.mathews@montgomerycountymd.gov.



Montgomery County Council to hold public hearing on Tuesday, July 18, regarding amendments to County public financing program for County elections

http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21261



Live Discussion with County Executive Ike Leggett

July 19 1:00pm – 2:00pm

This online interactive forum allows residents in Montgomery County to send questions directly to [County Executive Isiah Leggett](#). You may submit questions anytime. Answered questions will be available at the beginning of the live session and selected questions will be answered during the scheduled discussion time.

- [Submit Your Questions](#)

Groundbreaking Ceremony for I-270 Interchange Project at Watkins Mill Road !

Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett joined Maryland Governor Larry Hogan along with local officials and business leaders, to announce the start of construction of the \$97.71 million I-270 interchange project at Watkins Mill Road. This major congestion relief project will improve one of Maryland's most heavily traveled roadways in Montgomery County, benefiting tens of thousands of travelers who drive the I-270 corridor.

For details (cost, impacts, etc.) and to follow the project along, visit the State Highway Administration's webpage at <http://apps.roads.maryland.gov/WebProjectLifeCycle/ProjectInformation.aspx?projectno=MO3512115#>

See the Governor's press release <http://governor.maryland.gov/2017/07/11/governor-larry-hogan-announces-start-of-i-270-interchange-project-at-watkins-mill-road>

See previous priority letters sent to the State
http://www.mdot.maryland.gov/newMDOT/Planning/County_Priority_Letters/Montgomery.html

Important!

Participate in Council of Governments' Transportation Planning Board Survey!

Your thoughts on transportation in the Metro area are needed!

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Transportation Planning Board is conducting an important public input survey about the future of transportation in the Metro area. Your participation will help inform discussions among elected leaders and regional planners about decisions regarding the region's Long-Range Transportation Plan.

Take the Visualize 2045 survey [here](#). For more information about Visualize 2045, go [here](#).

Survey participants are entered into a drawing for a \$50 Visa gift card; 10 winners will be drawn.

Surveys must be completed by July 31st.

Montgomery County Council Seeks Applicants for Re-established Airpark Liaison Committee

The Montgomery County Council is seeking applicants to fill positions on the Montgomery County Airpark Liaison Committee. The Council authorized the re-establishment of the committee on June 13. The committee was established to provide a forum for increased communication among interested groups and individuals concerned with the operations of the Montgomery County Airpark.

Applicants are being sought for the following seats on the committee:

- Seven residential neighborhood representatives: two from Montgomery Village East and five from other neighborhoods surrounding the Airpark.
- Two business representatives: one from inside the Airpark and one from outside the Airpark.
- One Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board representative.
- Two Airpark users.

In addition, the Council will appoint two Montgomery County Revenue Authority representatives, including the designated Airpark manager, and one representative from each of the following: the Montgomery County Executive, the County Council, the County Planning Department and an Airpark lease holder.

Letters of application expressing interest, including a resume listing professional and civic experience, should be addressed to: Council President Roger Berliner, County Council Office, Stella B. Werner Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Applications also can be submitted via email to county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov

It is the Council's policy not to consider applications received after the deadline. The Council will review the letters of application and resumes, and anticipates making the appointments in July.

Letters of application and resumes are made public as part of the appointment process, and are available for public review.

Application deadline is 5:00pm on Wednesday, July 19

Leggett and County Council Send Transportation Priorities Letter to Maryland Department of Transportation

Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett and County Council President Roger Berliner sent the annual list of the County's priority transportation projects for state investment to Maryland Department of Transportation Secretary Peter Rahn. The list includes:

- Improvements to the I-270 and I-495 corridors.
- Repair of shoulders on U.S. 29 in preparation for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service in 2020 and solutions to address congestion and safety concerns along this roadway.
- Planning for improvements along MD 355 in the Clarksburg area.
- MD 97 enhancements to improve pedestrian access at the Metro Station and provide safe crossings.
- MD 28/198 improvements.
- Design of an interchange at MD 97/MD 28.
- Additional funding for Metrorail and Metrobus and roadway improvements for Metrobus Priority Corridors.
- Design and construction of the Corridor Cities Transitway.
- For BRT, design for MD 355, transit enhancements on MD 586, and planning for service improvements on MD 650.
- Pedestrian and bicyclist safety improvements and support for Bikeshare.
- Enhancements to the MARC commuter rail system, including expansion of the Boyds Station, midday and off-peak service and planning for a White Flint Station.
- Further investments in recreational trails.
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[See the full letter online.](#)

Call-n-Ride Provides Discounted Taxi Service for Eligible Seniors and Those With Disabilities

Ride On has a Call-n-Ride discounted taxi service for low-income seniors over 65 and persons with disabilities 18 or older. Assistance is based on household income. The service helps transport participants to medical and/or personal appointments. Residents use a swipe card to access the service.

Learn more about Call-n-Ride and how to register for the program [online](#), call 301-948-5409 or send an email to cnrorder@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Eligible County residents who have enrolled in the program can add value to their swipe card (using a credit card) [online](#).

Visit the County's [website](#) to learn more about other transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities.

Are you a first-time business owner or a serial entrepreneur?

Montgomery County's Business Portal

Visit the new [Montgomery County Business Portal](#). The business portal is a gateway to county government services and information related to doing business in Montgomery County. It is modeled after national, best practices and based on input from an extensive survey in 2016 on improving government services for businesses. Integrating information from multiple county departments, the business portal is a single point of entry that aims to further streamline county services and operations to make it easier to start and grow a business here. Visit MontgomeryCountyMD.gov/biz.

Business Starter Kits & Resources for Small Businesses

Montgomery County Seeks Residents' Help with Telephone Scam

Montgomery County Government wants to inform residents about a telephone spoofing scam that is taking place in our area. Several County residents have reported receiving calls from scammers who are fraudulently using County telephone numbers (240-773-xxxx and 240-777-xxxx). While we don't yet know the objectives of the perpetrators, there have been no reports of loss of money, nor personally identifiable information, to date.

Many calls are left without a message, which has prompted affected residents to call back. When the resident calls back the County number, the County employee answering the call is unaware that anyone is using their telephone number. County officials are investigating and would like to hear from residents who have received these calls to assist our efforts in addressing this problem.

If you receive a call from a County government telephone number that is suspicious, please report it by calling MC311 or by visiting MC311.com to answer the following questions:

1. When did you receive the call or message (date/time)?
2. If you received a message or spoke to someone, what did they say?
3. What number did the caller ID indicate that the call originated from? (What County number was used in the spoof call?)

Residents can reach MC311 in the County by dialing 3-1-1 or 240-777-0311 from anywhere, Monday - Friday, 7:00am to 7:00pm. The MC311 website www.mc311.com, is available 24/7.

Community Action VITA Program Now Preparing Amended, Prior Year and Current Year Tax Returns for Low-Income Residents

The Community Action Agency's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) partnership, part of the Department of Health and Human Services, is now scheduling appointments through October 31 for amended, prior year and current year tax returns. VITA's free tax preparation services are exclusively for Montgomery County residents. To qualify, residents must have incomes of less than \$54,000.

For details including how to make an appointment, see the press release at http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=21250



What is PARK(ing) Day?

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) is proud to be part of PARK(ing) Day, which will be held this year on Friday, September 15, 2017.

PARK(ing) Day is an annual, global event that gives residents, businesses and organizations an opportunity to temporarily transform metered parking spaces into fun, parklike spots that stimulate conversations about how we use our urban landscape. We hope PARK(ing) Day will encourage people to rethink their transportation choices and support infrastructure that is more transit-oriented, bikeable and walkable.

[Click here](#) for Frequently Asked Questions. [Learn more](#) about International Parking Day.

PARK(ing) Day 2017 Guidelines

[Click here](#) to read the PARK(ing) Day Guidelines. You must indicate you have read the guidelines before filling out the application.



BlackRock Center for the Arts
12900 Town Commons Drive, Germantown



Visit www.blackrockcenter.org for schedule

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For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/press_List.aspx?id=01

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>